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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir :

In response to the Notice of Allowability, mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 17, 2011 and to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance attached thereto, Applicants wish to clarify the record with respect to the basis for the patentability of claims in the present application. In this regard, while Applicants do not disagree with the Examiner's indication of allowability, Applicants submit that each of the claims in the present application recites a combination of features, and that the basis for patentability of each of these claims is based on the combination of features recited therein.

Furthermore, the claims are patentable over WO 04/024697 to Yamazaki et al published March 25, 2004 because, inter alia, as indicated in the Amendment filed on February 25, 2010, page 17, the publication is not prior art against the claims.

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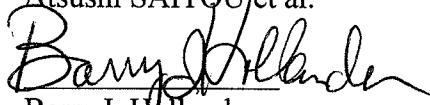
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